



Center for International Relations (CIR)

The CIR is an independent, non-governmental think-tank, dedicated to the study of international relations and those foreign policy issues, which are of crucial importance to Poland, Europe and transatlantic relations. CIR carries out its own research projects, prepares reports and analyses and participates in international projects in cooperation with similar institutions in several countries. The center's activities are analytical and educational in character. Since it was founded in 1996, the CIR has become an influential forum for foreign policy analysis and debate, involving leading politicians, diplomats, civil servants, local government officials, businessmen, journalists, students and representatives of other NGOs.

Our goals are:

- to strengthen Polish foreign policy and to deepen the knowledge of international relations in Polish society,
- to deepen the understanding of the aims of Polish foreign policy among the political, diplomatic and journalist elites in other countries as well as to make Polish leaders aware of the foreign policy objectives of other countries.
- to influence the most important elements of the foreign policy debate in Poland and abroad

The Center's activities to date have emphasized issues relating to NATO and international security, the different aspects of European integration as well as Poland in Europe, transatlantic relations, a broadly defined Eastern policy, migration, climate and energy, as well as the bilateral and multilateral elements of Polish foreign policy. In undertaking a number of projects, the Center has cooperated with the Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Defence, the foreign policy committees of the Sejm and Senat, the Ministry of Economics as well as the Ministry for the Environment. A number of projects have also been realized with support of NATO, the European Commission, the Ford Foundation, the German Marshall Fund of the United States, the Stefan Batory Foundation, the Robert Bosch Stiftung, the Konrad Adenauer Foundation in Poland, the Polish – German Cooperation Foundation, The European Climate Foundation, National Endowment for Democracy, the Trust for Civil Society in Central and Eastern Europe.

Our activities in 2010 focus on the following three pillars:

- Europe, leadership and change
- Global Challenges
- Poland in world politics

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